

Melba Agnes McLEAN & Frederick S POTTS

Notes from SUSAN NICHOLLS as at 1 June 2016

- Parents: Sophie Henrietta SOMMERS & Robert Tannahill McLEAN
- Born 23 Sept 1907 at Warsnop Avenue Adelaide, where her mother's parents were residing
- Melba Agnes commenced Strathalbyn School on 18 Jan 1915 and left March 1923.
- Melba Agnes married Frederick S Potts 7 April 1928 at St Andrews Presbyterian Strathalbyn and was to live in Langhorne Creek.
- She had two daughters
 - Maureen Rhonda, born approx. 1929. Married Noel Martin on 27 Dec 1947. They had five children - Sue, Mike, Chris, Jane and Nicky. Maureen died young at the age of 43 on the 9 September 1972. She left behind 5 children. Also the children lost their father only 5 years later on 20 Dec 1977. Fortunately their grandparents were still alive.
 - Florence Marlene, born ?1934. In 1952 she moved to Parkside to board with her aunt and uncle in order to pursue study to become a secondary teacher. Married Marcus Henningsen. They had two children - Paul and Jan.
- In 1958 electoral rolls show Frederick Stanley and Melba Agnes Potts at Langhorne Creek; also Maureen Rhonda and Noel Martin at Langhorne Creek.
- In 1966 Frederick and Melba are still at Langhorne Creek. On Olive
- On 10 Sept 1985 Melba died at the age of 77 "of Langhorne Creek". It appears that Melba spent her life in the area from her birth through her marriage in Strathalbyn to her death in Langhorne Creek.
- In 1994 Melba's husband Frederick died and is buried at Langhorne Creek Cemetery.
- Some descendants of Sophie nee Sommer still reside in Langhorne Creek, great-grandchildren of Sophie.

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